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DEANS AND REGISTRARS

At Prairie View College, the other day the National Association of Collegiate Deans and Registrars in Negro Schools held its fourth annual conference. The meeting was more than a meeting. It was a rather intimate association of minds all acting in grand accord to work out solutions to some of the intricate educational problems now before the American College. At this meeting no Bard sang with winged words nor did orators burst forth in lactic verbosity. But plain, sane, and sober word characterized the whole conference. Never before in Texas did a group of young educators meet with more seriousness and purpose. One sensed a rigid insistence on scientific-mindedness and spirit, and all discussions were based on thorough investigation and research. Only in one instance did the discussion take on a personal or subjective savor, but this was due to the fact that the question of student government was dragged in bodily as a part of the program, and the conference, forgetting its aims and methods, and unarmed of objective data, jumped flippantly upon the problem, seeking to solve it with ready-made convictions. But it soon returned to sanity and all was well.

The Association of Deans and Registrars is probably the only purely scientific and professional organization for Negroes in America. Its membership is composed of Young University trained educational specialists who are fired with the passion of research and investigation. They came to Prairie View State College with and in search of, the facts. They demanded them. Their demands were granted.

Whittaker, Dean of Atlanta University discussed a "Cooperative Testing Program;" Dean Alston of Johnson C. Smith, talked on the "Orientation of College Students;" Dean Greene of Prairie View read a paper on "The Supervision of College Teaching;" "Tendencies in College and Professional Education" was a subject discussed by Dean Brawley of Clark (Ga.), and Dean Florence of Virginia State reported a study on "Agricultural and Technical Curricula." Doctor Leo M. Favrot of the General Education Board lectured on "Observations on College Teaching," while Professor Carmichael of Prairie View addressed the body on "Significant Education." Papers on Teacher-training and other live topics were read. It was the unanimous opinion that the papers represented much painstaking effort and perhaps the best pieces of scientific work ever presented at a Negro College.

The meeting began on March 7 and lasted for three days. The educators were almost overwhelmed with surprise over the large equipment, and highly trained faculty at the State College. They expressed profound appreciation for the hospitality accorded them by the

Texans, and their conceptions of Texas as a primitive and backward state were knocked sky-high. They hailed Prairie View as the "greatest college in the Southwest," and pledged moral and spiritual support to the fulfillment of its higher aspirations. Forty colleges were represented and the meeting was well attended, and vociferously proclaimed as the best in the annals of the association. The next annual conference will be held at Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, N. C., John W. Haywood of Morgan College was elected president.

HOME ECONOMICS CONTEST—APRIL 17, 1929

There will be railroad rates to and from Prairie View for those planning attendance at the Contest. The rates allowed are one and one half cent per mile which is the same as allowed for those attending the Inter-scholastic League, the next two days.

The final date for Schools to enroll and send in membership fees has been set on April 15, 1929, after which date, no fees will be accepted.

NEGRO HEALTH WEEK

Negro Health Week will be observed at the college beginning Sunday, March 31 and ending Sunday, April 7.

The program as outlined by the Texas Public Health Association, Austin, Texas, will be followed. This program is as follows:

Sunday, March 31, Mobilization Day.
Monday, April 1, Home Health Day.
Tuesday, April 2, Community Sanitation Day.
Wednesday, April 3, School Health Day.
Thursday, April 4, Adult Health Day.
Friday, April 5, Special Campaign Day.
Saturday, April 6, General Clean-up Day.
Sunday, April 7, Report and Follow-up Day.

COACH JAMES H. LAW

We are glad to see Coach James H. Law back again at his post after a leave of absence for several days.

Coach Law is expected to build up a formidable baseball machine out of the rich material that faces him on Blackshear Field evening after evening.

Coach Law is full of sound baseball doctrine and he puts it over to the young Panthers as if they were in a school of economics. He leaves no stone of the baseball art unturned and his troupe gives him passionate obedience. These things will tell in the coming conference contests.

OLDER BOYS CONFERENCE

The Older Boys Conference will be held April 12-14 at Wichita Falls, Texas. Boys 14 and over are eligible for membership. Entertainment, board and room, will be free; only \$1.25 for registration and badges will be charged, according to reports received by the Editor.

Some of the best informed speakers on boy problems will attend the Older Boys Conference and assist in its program.

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PRINCIPAL W. R. BANKS SURVEYS LAND GRANT COLLEGES

DR. E. R. MOTON COMMENDS PRAIRIE VIEW AND PRINCIPAL BANKS

After making a survey of Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College, over which he presides, Principal W. R. Banks made a like survey of Langston University, Langston, Oklahoma. The Principal is making these surveys under the direct authority and supervision of the United States government and is collecting and compiling such data as will weigh and determine the force, effectiveness and availability of every phase of Negro Land Grant Colleges in America.

The second survey away from the College made by Principal Banks was at Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Missouri.

DR. W. D. MORONEY, D. D.

Coming to the college for the first time Dr. W. D. Moroney, professor of sociology, Baylor University, Waco, Texas, was greeted with sincere Christian enthusiasm each time he appeared before the student body in two discourses March 3.

At 11:00 o'clock in the morning Dr. Moroney preached to students, teachers and residents of the college. Prof. James C. McMorries, college chaplain, was master of ceremonies. Sacred music of 100 voices of the college choir was directed by Miss C. E. Ross and Miss L. H. Minor, Miss Jessie Murray presided at the piano.

"Our Social Heritage" was the subject chosen by Dr. Moroney for the morning discourse. "Civilization is of long growth, half century after century," said Dr. Moroney, "we are recipients of the work of others who have gone on before. They have built and given us this civilization and it is ours to carry on."

In the afternoon the eminent minister addressed the college in The Open Forum, discussing "International Race Relations."

BETTER HOMES WEEK

Under the auspices of the division of home economics, headed by Miss E. C. May, various discussions and demonstrations bearing on the home were given during the week beginning March 24 and ending March 29.

The program was begun by introductory and representative remarks by Miss Helen Brown, and a discussion on home by Prof. M. P. Carmichael. Other subjects for the week were Family Relationship, Household Budgets and Accounts, Better Meal Planning, good taste in Interior Decoration, Labor Saving Devices and Appliances, Clothing for The Family, Better Homes from the Out-Go, and Housewives Hour.

Tuskegee Institute, Alabama,
February 28, 1929.

Mr. W. R. Banks, Principal,
Prairie View College,
Prairie View, Texas.
My Dear Prof. Banks:

I have been delayed in acknowledging again my debt to you for a very pleasant and inspiring day at Prairie View. It is true that you kept us on the go from the time we arrived, but it was all so interesting and pleasant that in a way I thought I was at Tuskegee again, particularly so when under the care of Mrs. Banks in your own delightful home.

I want to commend you for the very good work that you are doing there and for the evidences on every hand of the substantial and progressive development of the work under your leadership. I was impressed with the enthusiasm of your staff and with the spirit of your student body.

It was particularly good to see so many Tuskegee people at Prairie View and to observe the confidence in them which you manifest by the places of responsibility in which you put them. There could scarcely be a finer type of co-operation between the two institutions.

While I had long wanted to visit Texas, it required this visit to reveal to me just how much I had been missing through all these years. Just the same we are indebted to you beyond measure for the great success of our trip. Please convey to Mrs. Banks my acknowledgements of her gracious attentions during our visit. It could not have been any more pleasant or inspiring. I hope that we shall see both of you at Tuskegee again soon.

Sincerely yours,
R. R. Moton, Principal.

JULIUS ROSENWALD

Probably the greatest single charitable benefactor of the race in recent times is Julius Rosenwald. The college took cognizance of his benefaction in rendering a formal program extolling his virtues and commending his gifts on Rosenwald Day.

Julius Rosenwald is known everywhere in the South where he has made it possible for the children of our group to obtain a common education by erecting for them numerous school houses which dot in beauty and splendor the hills and dales of every southern state. The good he has done has made his name immortal, because we will hand it on and down to our children through all the coming years.

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AMERICA MUST FIND MEANS OF RACE ADJUSTMENT

Atlanta, Ga.—The American people have the opportunity to do the world a great service if they can find a means by which diverse races may live side by side in mutual good will and helpfulness, said Bishop Francis J. McConnell, in a series of addresses on "The Wider Significance of the African Problem," delivered at Gammon Theological Seminary. "The race problem in our country is not sectional," he said; "it never has been. No section has the right to assume a 'holier than thou' attitude toward any other. It is not even an American problem, nor one exclusively of white and black relationships. Instead it is a human problem of world-wide extent. It happens, however, that America, and particularly the South, occupy a position of strategic and peculiar importance in relation to it, so that our leadership in this field is almost certain to influence the world vastly for good or ill.

"I am not afraid of the uprising of the tinted races that some have predicted," continued Bishop McConnell, "but I am afraid that unless we speedily build a bridge of justice and cooperation the chasm of misunderstanding and distrust may become so deep as to be impassable, thus shutting off each group from the contribution it ought to receive from the other. Some things in our American race relations are already discrediting Christianity in mission lands, as when in Mexico I saw a list of American lynchings printed and paraded in the effort of General Huerta to stir that country to war against the United States, and again in China was confronted with the same list as a reason why China should reject our civilization and our religion."

Speaking first on "The Historical Approach," Bishop McConnell emphasized the necessity of looking at the race problem objectively and without passion, seeking to see its historical backgrounds and its world-wide aspects, and to make all possible allowances for honest human mistakes and inconsistencies. The lecture was heard by an audience that packed Thirfield Hall, including a number of the city's prominent educators, pastors, and civic leaders of both races.

BOOK OF NAPOLEON B. EDWARD COMMENDED

The book of poems entitled "Lyrics of the Lowly" written and copyrighted by Napoleon B. Edward continues to receive commendation as the following letters

disclose:

My dear Mr. Edward:

I have read your poems with intense eagerness and delight. I find in them a rare collection of poetic literature that should be found in the library of every well read man. A distinct contribution to art.

Very respectfully,
H. L. Turner.

If you have not examined "Lyrics of the Lowly," I urge you to do so before selecting a new book of verse. I have read the book of poems with keen and increasingly satisfied interest. "Lyrics of the Lowly" is an admirable book and should be in every home.

Mrs. J. M. Johnson.

Prof. H. L. Turner, author of the first letter above, is head of the Commercial Department at Prairie View State College and is a graduate of Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio, holding the B. S. degree therefrom.

Mrs. J. M. Johnson, author of the second letter, is of the Department of English, Prairie View State College, and is a graduate of Clark University, Atlanta Georgia, with the A. B. degree.

SUMMER SCHOOL

The nineteenth summer session of Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College will begin June 3 and close July 27, 1920.

The following advantages will be offered during the summer session:

1. An opportunity to study under the direction of leading university trained specialists.
2. A full quarter's work can be done in all the divisions of the college.
3. The extension of certificates will be possible by the completion of a full program of studies.

The curricula will be arranged to satisfy the needs of Principals of Elementary and High Schools; Teachers of High School subjects; Teachers of Elementary grades; and Teachers of Intermediate and Primary grades.

Courses in Educational Research, The Technique of Mental Measurements, Social Psychology, and Educational Administration will be offered.

The expenses for the summer session are as follows:

Matriculation Fee	\$10.00
Board and Lodging for Summer Session.....	40.00
Total	\$50.00

Teachers of Vocational Agriculture, four weeks, June 3 to June 29, Board and Lodging—\$20.00.

The above figures do not include laboratory fees which must be added.

The Summer School will continue for one term only. There will be eight weeks of intensive study which will yield an equivalent of a full quarter aggregating fifteen quarter hours credit.

Further information in regard to the summer school can be obtained from Prof. D. R. Glass, registrar of the college.

PROF. R. T. TATUM SENDS SUBSCRIBERS

711 Poplar Street,
Beaumont, Texas.

Prof. N. B. Edward, Executive Secretary,
Prairie View College,
Prairie View, Texas.

Sir:

In response to your letter concerning the annual subscription price to the Prairie View Standard, I am mailing to your address a list of subscribers to the college paper. A cashier's check for Five dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50) is attached to this letter.

Every Prairie View ex-student of the Adams School faculty, has willingly subscribed to the Prairie View Standard.

Miss Odelee Le Gendre joins her sister, Mrs. Sheffield, in a subscription. Mrs. Nellie Lainer-Tatum, class of 1912, joins me.

Kindly begin each subscription with the next issue.

Yours truly,
R. T. Tatum.

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9. Miss Martha Johnson, 707 Port Street.
10. Miss Robbie Gentry-Manning Route 1, Box 78.
11. R. T. Tatum, 711 Poplar Street.

We must here and now thank Prof. R. T. Tatum for sending the above subscribers and his continued interest in his alma mater and the cause of popular education. Thoroughly educated, energetic, wide awake, and a good school man and good citizen, Prof. Tatum has the esteem and confidence of friends everywhere he is known.—Editor.

INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE MEET, PRAIRIE VIEW—APRIL 18, 19, 1920

A rate of one and one-half fare for the round trip has been granted over the Southern Pacific Lines to the Interscholastic League Meet at Prairie View, April 18 and 19. Tickets on sale April 15 to 17, good for return April 21. These tickets will be sold on the Identification Certificate plan, and these certificates may be secured from the League district managers. All are urged to come by train.

\$450 in prizes, in gold, silver and bronze medals, pennants, and ribbons will be awarded in the athletic and literary contests. Prizes furnished by W. A. Holt Athletic House, Waco.

Discus throw and low hurdles have been added to the athletic events. The spelling contests will be written this year.

500 schools have entered to date, and Prairie View

is making every preparation for the entertainment of the guests. Every indication is that this is to be the best meeting in the history of the League.

Prof. G. T. Kyle will be in charge of athletic events, and Prof. M. H. Watkins will be in charge of literary events.

C. H. Waller, Chairman

BRICKLAYING AT PRAIRIE VIEW

Thirty-three young men are taking bricklaying under Mr. I. L. Jacquet, graduate of Tuskegee Institute, who is employed at the college in the division of Mechanic Arts.

The thirty-three young men are as follows:
Adams, Jesse, Cuero, Texas; Anderson, Isreal, Fort Worth, Texas; Brown, John Henry, Troup; Brown, Joseph L., San Marcos; Chandler, Walter, Corsicana; Collins, Durwood, Houston; Clinton, M. C., Garrison; Collins, Harold, Mount Pleasant; Duncan, J. W., McKinney; Figa, McKinley, Beaumont; Harris, Joel, Waco; Henry, Arnett, Stoneham; Henry, Edgar, Houston; Hilliard, A. L., Hempstead; Hogan, Samuel, Brenham; Johnson, Judson, Fort Worth; Jones, John D., Eldersville; Lewis, Marion, Beaumont; Lewis, N. D., Dallas; Marshall, Marvin, Texarkana; Orr, Leo, Frost; Paley, Roosevelt, Houston; Prince, Samuel, Fort Worth; Rollins, Earl, New Orleans, La.; Ross, W. P., Tyler; Sparks, R. B., Terrell; Toliver, Edward, Prairie View; Washington, Theo., Anguilla, Miss.; Watkins, U. W., Huntsville; White, Otis, Galveston; Wilkerson, R. W., McKinney; Williams, Jesse, Houston; Wilson, F. G., Garrison.

ALUMNI OFFICIALS MEET

A meeting of officials of the staff of the Alumni and Former Student Association was held at the college March 17, to consider the final program for the Fiftieth Anniversary and the Inauguration of the Principality.

After few minor amendments and substitutions the program was completed and adopted and presented to Principal W. R. Banks requesting him to see that the program in all respects would be duly and formally executed.

Those present and taking part in the meeting were: Prof. W. L. Davis, plenary chairman and recording secretary; Mr. O. P. DeWalt, president; Prof. G. O. Sanders, Vice president; Dr. E. B. Evans, local chairman; and Mr. Napoleon B. Edward, executive secretary.

In addition to the anniversary and inaugural exercises all ex-students will be requested to assist in raising \$50,000 to be applied on an appropriate memorial building.

REV. M. H. HARBICAN

The college heard Rev. M. H. Harbican, traveling evangelist of New York City. He was introduced by Rev. James C. McMorries, chaplain, and director of the Y. M. C. A.

Rev. Harbican is a graduate of the Moody Bible Institute and was sent out by philanthropists to visit schools and colleges and talk on character building.